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the Central Railroad of New Jersey, and Cusick gave him the letter.

Operative then went to 5th St. and Broadway and found Edward Betsworth. He stated that up until a few years ago he ran the candy store at this corner. He stated that he knew Mrs. Gibson as Mrs. Easton and that she conducted a candy store at 187 Broadway. He further stated that about 1907 he employed a young girl for a few days in his store and she told him that she had worked for Mrs. Easton in her candy store. When she was there two days a man came in and had a talk with Mrs. Easton and then Mrs. Easton came over to the girl and asked her to go into the back room with a man. The girl refused and Mrs. Easton reprimanded her and later dismissed her for not obeying her orders. Mr. Betsworth stated that he often heard that this woman ran a disorderly house at this address and that a man named Conroy who conducted a plumber shop at 7th St. and Broadway knew a great deal about Mrs. Easton when she had her candy store. Conroy often told Betsworth that this woman was running a disorderly house. Mr. Conroy died a few years ago.

Operative then located Frank McLaughlin alias "scuttles" at Doyles Saloon at 5th St. and Hobert Ave. He stated he had lived with the Williams family for about 10 years and that he had seen Mrs. Easton about 4 times, the last time in 1917 when she spent a few days at 27 East 1st Street and at that time she wanted him to go out on her pig farm in New Brunswick, but he refused to go with her. He does not know much about Mrs. Easton, but knows Mrs. Williams well and passed a number of indecent remarks about her character and said she would go with anyone. He did not know of the whereabouts of Williams and has not seen Mrs. Williams since last November.

Operative then went to Police Headquarters and interviewed John Cusick, director of Public Safety. who stated that Tom Williams came to him and asked for a letter of recommendation to enable him to